## Board of Youth Services Meeting Minutes November 5, 2014, 7:00 pm Whittemore Robbins House

Present: Joan Axelrod-Lehrich, Colleen Leger, Mary deCourcey, Lauren Boyle, Libby Cole, Linda Suzuki, Carlene Newell, Cindy Sheridan, Joan Robbio

- **1.) Approve minutes from October 2014 meeting:** Lauren motioned to approve, Libby seconded
- **2.)** Thanksgiving Report: Mary reports that the drive is on-going, bags will be donated to over a 100 families in need, this year we will be at the old Arlington Diner which is the new Food Pantry location, volunteers will be emailed with their volunteer schedule.
- 3.) **Directors' Report:** Colleen reports that December newsletter going out will seek "friends" of AYCC. It is unclear how many people who respond so she will access the structure of the committee based on the response.
- 4.) **Clinical Report:** Linda reports that the suicide prevention safe talk will be Wednesday, Nov 14<sup>th</sup>
- 5.) **Gala Recap**: Overall, an incredibly successful Gala. Feedback was all positive. \$21,000 was netted at the Gala and \$31,000 was grossed. This year more was spent more on food & entertainment. The Fund-a-Service netted \$3000. Agreement that additional brainstorming and analysis needs to be done re: which aspects made the most money and where we can trim next year.
- 6.) **Holiday Help:** Collection will be Dec 8-11<sup>th</sup>, schools and churches are being contacted, it is early this year so it is important that all volunteering are contacted soon.
- 7.) **Developing "Friends of AYCC"**: January meeting will be focused on what our goals are for next year including a strategy session. AYCC will also have a new brochure coming out with an end of the year appeal.

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